Road Construction Updates

June 22-July 3: Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks



Generals Highway: Between Park Entrance at Highway 198 & Giant Forest

Schedule

Subject to change; weather-permitting

Mondays through Thursdays -

- Daytime Traffic: From 5-7 a.m. follow traffic signals. Expect up to 20-min. delays. Traffic may pass through the construction area only at 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m.
- Evening Traffic: From 8-9 p.m., follow the direction of construction staff with safety flags and pilot vehicles. Expect up to 20-min. delays.
- Late-Night Traffic: Night work is scheduled from 9 p.m. through 5 a.m., Mondays through Fridays. There is only <u>one</u> opportunity to drive through the construction zone at 11:30 p.m. each night.

<u>Fridays</u> - No traffic allowed through construction zone from 12 midnight-5 a.m. From 5-7 a.m., follow traffic signals, and expect up to 20-min. delays. Traffic may pass through construction zone at 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m., and 2:30 p.m. After 2:30 p.m. - Follow traffic signals, and expect up to 20-min. delays. (*Exception:* July 1 - Work ends at 12 noon with subsequent traffic signals/20-min. delays.)

<u>Weekends</u> - Follow traffic lights/signs and direction of construction staff. Expect up to 20- min. delays between green lights.

Additional Information

The construction zone is a $1\frac{1}{2}$ -mile section of the Generals Highway in Sequoia National Park between the park entrance on Highway 198 and Giant Forest (between two local landmarks –Amphitheater Point and Deer Ridge.)

- Traffic may be restricted to a steep, narrow, and winding single lane. Drivers must follow a pilot/lead vehicle when work is in progress. Uphill-bound vehicles allowed through the construction zone first at times listed above.
- The portion of the Generals Highway from Hospital Rock to the Giant Forest Museum is currently <u>closed to vehicles greater than 22 feet in length</u>. This restriction is expected to be in effect until May 2012.

Other Minimal Road Delays

Schedules

Subject to change with short notice due to weather or equipment failures

Areas closed to vehicles from 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

SNP = Sequoia National Park

KCNP = Kings Canyon National Park

<u>Sequoia National Park (SNP) and Kings Canyon National Park (KCNP)</u> - Pavement Preservation Project with 15 min. max. delays

- <u>June 22</u> In SNP, from park entrance to Amphitheatre Point (including turnouts) Work begins at 6 a.m. Expect 15-min delays with pilot car in open lane.
- <u>June 22-24</u> In KCNP, Cedar Grove, from Road's End to west park boundary will have 15-min. delays max. Pilot car leads traffic in one lane. Turnouts may be closed.
- <u>June 22-23</u> In SNP, Generals Highway from park entrance to Amphitheatre Point will have 15-min. delays. Pilot car leads traffic in one lane. Turnouts may close.
- <u>June 23-24</u> On June 23, in SNP, Potwisha Dump Station access Road/Loop closed all day or until work is done. On June 24, expect 5-minute delays.
- <u>June 22-24</u> In KCNP, Cedar Grove, from park boundary to roads end delays of 15-min. max, with some turnouts closed intermittently.
- <u>June 24</u> In KCNP, Cedar Grove, Only ½ of the Zumwalt Meadow parking open.
- <u>June 27</u> Cedar Grove Village parking Only ½ of the parking area available.
- <u>June 27-29</u> In SNP, Crystal Cave Road will have rolling short-term delays with pilot car leading traffic in open lane. Max 15-min delays. Turnouts may be closed.
- <u>June 27-30</u> In SNP, along the Generals Highway from Deer Ridge to Wolverton Road intersection (plus turnouts) will have 15-min delays with pilot car in open lane.
- <u>June 28-29</u> In SNP, Generals Highway from park entrance to Amphitheatre Point will have 5-15-min. delays. Pilot car leads traffic. Turnouts may close. On June 29, 5-minute delays from 11:30 p.m.-7:30 a.m. along Generals Highway. On June 28, Buckeye Flat Campground in SNP open but road access only on top of hour.
- <u>June 30 July 1</u>- In KCNP, Cedar Grove, from west park boundary to Roads End, short-term delays of 5-15-min. max, with turnouts closed intermittently.

SNP - Halstead Meadow Bridge Project – Flaggers in place with minimal delays through July 1 potentially from 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. On June 27, traffic signals will be in place 24 hrs, 7 days per week, with 10-min. max. delays. Two of three turnouts closed.

KICA - Park Entrance - Traffic 25 mph with delays of up to 20 min. by flaggers on-site

KICA - Cedar Grove - Kings River Bridge - Follow detour signs. Work Mon.-Fri. + Sat. day.